

REMARKS

A. Status of the claims

The foregoing claim amendment is meant to replace all previous versions of the claims. Claims 1-36, 38-47 and 52 are canceled, claims 37, 48 and 53 have been amended and new claims 54-56 have been added. Thus, claims 37, 48-51 and 53-56 are currently pending and under examination. The amendments to claims 37 and 53 incorporate structural aspects of claim 41. Likewise, new independent claims 54-56 are based on claims 37 and 41. No new matter has been added. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce any canceled or amended claims in a future continuation application.

B. Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

The Examiner issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and asserted that there was an inconsistency in the amendments made to claim 37. In response, Applicants provide herewith a replacement set of amended claims that properly show all changes that were made to the claims.

C. Conclusion

In view of the replacement claim amendment provided herein, Applicants request reconsideration of the amended claims in view of the arguments that were previously submitted in the response filed on July 22, 2008. The Examiner is invited to call Applicants' representative at the number below with any questions or concerns.

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Respectfully submitted,

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